

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

January 21, 2021

Taylor Caswell
Director
Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery
100 North Main Street, Suite 100
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Director Caswell,

Pursuant to my authority under RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, and 2020-25 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Authority for the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to **retroactively** extend the end date for the New Hampshire Department of Education ESL Student Support Fund from December 30, 2020 to March 31, 2021 to support administrative, compliance, and monitoring activities only. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request, in attachment, effective through March 31, 2021. (100% Federal Funds)

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services Frank Edelblut, Commissioner, Department of Education



### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



# GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

# ----- for -----EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

January 19, 2021

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu State House Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 4:45, RSA 2I-P:43, AND SECTION 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-A4 AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05 AND 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, AND 2020-24 AND SUSPEND THE MANUAL OF PROCEDURES 150, V., B., 1., REQUIREMENT.

Dear Governor Sununu,

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests retroactive authority to amend the accept and expend Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Education (DOE) to support the ESL Student Support Fund item by extending the end date from December 30, 2020 to March 31, 2021 to support administrative, compliance and monitoring activities, time extension only no new or additional funds, effective upon approval by the Governor through March 31, 2021. Originally approved on October 14, 2020, attached; and amended on November 18, 2020 through the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Accounts. 100% Federal Funds.

The existing authorized budget lines to support this request for Fiscal Year 2021 are listed below:

06-56-56-562010-19500000 ESL STDNT SUPPORT-GOFERR COVID

029 - Intra-Agency Transfers

\$5,000

102 - Contracts for Program Services

\$10,000

### **EXPLANATION**

This amendment is to extend the date by which the already authorized funds to support compliance and monitoring activities by DOE must be used only. While the program funds allocated to the recipients had an end date of December 30, 2020, the Department has the responsibility to perform compliance and monitoring activities, to include reviewing Final Reports submitted by recipients, and providing reports to GOFERR.

The DOE is currently working with multiple organizations throughout the state to finalize grant applications through the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery, that would expand direct services to families with limited English proficiency who have been identified by school districts and local service agencies as families in need of additional support.

These grant funds would allow the organizations to expand services during school hours and evening hours to provide additional support with remote instruction to identified students and families. The DOE has been intentional while engaging many partners to ensure that programs will provide similar and

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consistent support to families. The expanded services would include: (1) "Porch Visits:" teachers/tutors visit the homes of students to identify and troubleshoot any barriers keeping students from participating in remote learning; (2) Resource Centers: in-person, drop-in, resource centers in a few neighborhood centers throughout the city where families could go to check-out a computer, get technical or academic support, or to present other needs; and (3) Virtual Tutoring/Mentoring: at-risk students will be connected with a trained staff member who will check-in and monitor student's daily progress, including academic support and general monitoring of students' social and emotional wellbeing during extended school closures.

The funds will also be used to partner with local organizations or schools that serve EL families to provide support with remote instruction or accessing instructional services in additional models or formats.

Funds for the Intra-Agency Transfers are to support compliance and monitoring activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Caswell
Director, GOFERR



### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

October 14, 2020

Taylor Caswell
Director
Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery
100 North Main Street, Suite 100
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Director Caswell,

Pursuant to my authority under RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, and 2020-20 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

- 1. Authority to transfer \$1,000,000.00 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE) to support English Language learning students. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)
- 2. Authorize the NHDOE to accept and expend \$1,000,000.00 from the GOFERR to support English Language learning students. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Transfer of Federal Funds)
- 3. Authorize the NHDOE to enter into grant agreements for a total amount not to exceed \$990,000 to grant funds to providers in support of English Language learning students, including grant administration activities. Effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Transfer of Federal Funds)

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services Frank Edelblut, Commissioner, Department of Education

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# GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

October 14, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu State House Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43, RSA 4:45, RSA 4:47, AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04, AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2010-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17 AND 2020-18 AND SUSPEND THE MANUAL OF PROCEDURES 150, V., A., 5 REQUIREMENT

### Dear Governor Sununu,

1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to transfer \$1,000,000.00 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE) to support English Language learning students effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds for this transfer are available in 01-02-002-020210-19110000 - Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery, Office of the Director, as follows:

085-588556 - Inter-Agency Transfer of Federal Funds

FY 2021 \$1,000,000.00

2. Contingent on approval of action item #1, authorize the NHDOE to accept and expend \$1,000,000.00 from the GOFERR to support English Language learning students. These appropriations will be budgeted as allocated below effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Transfer of Federal Funds.

Funds will be budgeted in FY 2021 as follows:

06-56-56-562010-19500000 ESL STDNT SUPPORT-GOFERR COVID		
CLASS	ACCOUNT	BUDGET REQUEST
072 - Grants-Federal	502627	\$990,000.00
102 - Contracts for Program Services	500731	\$ 10,000.00
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,000,000.00
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
00D - Transfer of Federal Funds	488502	\$1,000,000.00
	TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,000,000.00

3. Contingent on approval of action item #2, authorize the NHDOE to enter into grant agreements and contracts with various vendors, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to grant funds to providers in support of English Language learning students, including grant administration activities, effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Transfer of Federal Funds.

### **EXPLANATION**

The DOE is currently working with multiple organizations throughout the state to finalize grant applications through the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery that would expand direct services to families with limited English proficiency who have been identified by school districts and local service agencies as families in need of additional support.

These grant funds would allow the organizations to expand services during school hours and evening hours to provide additional support with remote instruction to identified students and families. The DOE has been intentional while engaging many partners to ensure that programs will provide similar and consistent support to families. The expanded services would include: (1) "Porch Visits:" teachers/tutors visit the homes of students to identify and troubleshoot any barriers keeping students from participating in remote learning; (2) Resource Centers: in-person, drop-in, resource centers in a few neighborhood centers throughout the city where families could go to check-out a computer, get technical or academic support, or to present other needs; and (3) Virtual Tutoring/Mentoring: at-risk students will be connected with a trained staff member who will check-in and monitor student's daily progress, including academic support and general monitoring of students' social and emotional wellbeing during extended school closures.

The funds will also be used to partner with local organizations or schools that serve EL families to provide support with remote instruction or accessing instructional services in additional models or formats.

All CARES Act funds must be spent by the recipients before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa M. English

Deputy Director, GOFERR